

2020 Goal: Adopt-Out/Plant 10,000 Trees Current Count To-Date: 4,300 Trees

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LEON VALLEY TREE ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting of the Leon Valley Tree Advisory Board (TAB) at 6:00 PM, on Monday, September 24, 2018, at Leon Valley Public Works (Employee Breakroom), 6429 Evers Road, Leon Valley, Texas.

I. Poll for Attendance and Determination of a Quorum.

- Staff Liaison: David Dimaline (Present)
- TAB Forester: Mark Kroeze, Texas Forest Service (Absent)
- Members Present: Irene Baldridge, Thomas Benavides, Denise Berger, Melinda Dawson, Mary Key, Diana Sarfin, and Rich Sarfin
- Members Absent: Amber Mouser

II. Approval of Minutes – August 13, 2018.

- Minutes from August 13, 2018, were approved as written.

III. Review and Discuss the 2016 Tree Planting Action Plan – Planting understory trees within the Huebner-Onion Natural Area and Raymond Rimkus Park.

- Mr. Dimaline consulted with Ms. Melinda Moritz (Park Commission Staff Liaison) and the TAB is approved to follow the current planting plan with the following exception:
 - -- The planting plan identifies two triangular sections where trees are to be planted. They are located on the East side of Raymond Rimkus Park where Forest Meadow St. dead ends into the park. In between the two sections, there is a natural swale that fills with water run-off from Forest Meadow St. and it sits for long periods of time. So, the change will be to build a rain garden instead with specialized plantings in the swale to include the two triangular sections. Ms. Moritz is currently working on a "grant" to accomplish this task.
- Trees will purchased from the Forest Service and will require temporary fencing to protect from foot traffic and browsing by deer.
- Mr. Dimaline will take measurements of the areas to be planted and will consult with Mr. Kroeze (Texas Forest Service) on the species to plant.

IV. Update on the Fall Tree Adoption Event Scheduled for October 27, 2018.

- Mr. Dimaline will contact CPS Energy to confirm the types of trees (2 large and 6 small) to be adopted-out.
- There will be a total of 300 trees and CPS Energy and the City of Leon Valley will be splitting the cost.
- No oak trees will be adopted-out.
- Trees will be purchased from Mosty Brothers Nursery.
- We will try to have a poster contest this year.
 - -- The theme is, "Trees and Me Why They are Important".
 - -- Ms. Sarfin will contact Leon Valley Elementary and Driggers Elementary to make them aware.
 - -- Mr. Sarfin will develop the guidelines of the contest.
- The Mayor will have a Proclamation on this day, Leon Valley Arbor Day.
- Mr. Dimaline with check with Mr. Kroeze to see if he or an associate can provide tree planting/education outreach at the event.

V. Future Agenda Items.

- A. Create more Opportunities for Tree Education.
- B. Create more Opportunities for Tree Planting.

VI. Adjourn.

- The next meeting of the TAB is scheduled for Monday, October 22, 2018, at 6:00 PM, at Leon Valley Public Works (Employee Breakroom), 6429 Evers Road, Leon Valley, Texas.

Chairperson